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AUGUST 2ND, 1849. (Extraordinary Meeting.)

JOHN ANSTER, LL.D., VICE-PRESIDENT, in the Chair.

ON the recommendation of the Council, His Royal Highness the Prince Albert was elected an Honorary Member of the Academy.

The Rev. Dr. Wall, Vice-Provost, Sir Wm. R. Hamilton, LL.D., John Anster, LL.D., and George Petrie, LL.D., were appointed a deputation to present the following Address to Her Majesty :

“ To the Queen’s Most Excellent Majesty.

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,

“ We, the President and Members of the Royal Irish Academy, humbly beg leave to offer our respectful and hearty congratulations on the occasion of your Majesty’s first visit to Ireland.

“ Inspired with feelings of devoted attachment to your Majesty’s crown and person, we rejoice in the presence of our Queen, and accept it as a happy omen of more prosperous times.

“ As members of a society incorporated for the promotion of Science and Literature in Ireland, we have peculiar reasons to hail your Majesty’s arrival amongst us.

“ We know that whilst your Majesty has, with distinguished prudence and energy, discharged the arduous duties of governing and protecting the State, your Majesty has ever looked with earnest solicitude on the progress of all institutions designed for the diffusion of knowledge, and calculated to elevate the moral and intellectual condition of your Majesty’s subjects.

“ It was for the purpose of promoting and extending such pursuits in Ireland that your Majesty’s royal ancestor bestowed a charter of incorporation upon our Academy ; and its Members, keeping aloof from the strife of parties, and undiscouraged by the difficulties which surrounded them, have ever since endeavoured faithfully to carry into effect the objects of their institution.

“ That your Majesty may be long spared in health and happiness to reign over us, and permitted to witness the complete success of all your Majesty’s benevolent endeavours to establish peace and prosperity, is the constant and earnest prayer of your Majesty’s faithful and most obedient Servants.”

[This Address was accordingly presented at the Levee held by her Majesty, in the Castle of Dublin, on the 8th of August.]

The following Address to His Royal Highness the Prince Albert was also adopted ; and the Secretaries were directed to transmit it in the usual manner :

“ *To his Royal Highness Prince Albert.*

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS,

“ We, the President and Members of the Royal Irish Academy, desire your Royal Highness to accept our sincere and respectful congratulations on the occasion of your visit to Ireland.

“ Your Royal Highness is well known to us as the patron of those objects for the promotion of which our Academy was founded. Not only recognising the nobleness of intellectual pursuits, but yourself a participator in the pleasures which attend them, you have done much to encourage the efforts and to reward the success of all who cultivate them within these realms.

“ We, therefore, confidently indulge the hope that your visit to Ireland will be productive of great benefits to it. We feel sure that the presence of a Prince, so eminent for wisdom